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Compulsory Attendance Division
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**CIRCULAR OF INFORMATION RELATING TO THE
ISSUANCE OF SCHOOL RECORD CERTIFICATES**

Section 5 of the amended compulsory education law provides:

That it shall be unlawful for any person, firm or corporation to employ any child between 14 and 16 years of age who does not, at the time of such employment, present a certificate signed by the superintendent of schools or by the principal or the principal teacher of the city or district in which the child resides or by the principal or the principal teacher of the school where the child has attended or is attending, or by such other officer as the school authorities may designate, certifying that such child during the 12 months next preceding his 14th birthday or during the 12 months next preceding his application for such certificate, has attended for not less than 130 days the public schools, or schools having an elementary course equivalent thereto, in such city or district and that such child can read and write easy English prose and is familiar with the fundamental operations of arithmetic.

In certain communities, often without even the knowledge of the superintendent or principal, subordinate teachers, members of school boards and others have issued "school record" certificates. Such practice has led to confusion and in many instances to grave abuses; therefore this Department directs that in the future record certificates shall be issued only as indicated in the three following subdivisions:

1 The superintendent of schools of a city or district may issue record certificates and so long as said city or district has an acting superintendent no other person is authorized to issue therein such certificates.

2 If the city or district is not under a superintendent then the principal or principal teacher of said city or district is authorized to issue such certificates, and no other person is authorized to do so.

3 If a city or district at any time, as may occur during vacation period, is without a superintendent or principal or principal

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teacher, then the certificate may be issued by "such other officer as the school authorities may designate."

An exact record of all certificates issued shall be kept on file. Such record in part should contain the name, age and residence of each child to whom a certificate was granted with the number of days attendance credited to each within the period prescribed in the statute; also the date on which the certificate was issued.

Hereafter superintendents and principals will be required to include in their annual report to this Department the number of record certificates issued and other information relative thereto.

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